Calling all stakeholders! You are invited and encouraged to go to MySchool Info and look at School Report Cards and engage with your school in their School Improvement Process.

The School Report Card is a tool for all stakeholders to become informed in order to identify strengths and areas of need for their school. School Improvement Plans, built on a a Plan-Do-Check cycle, rely on stakeholder input.

Your Invitation to Connect

What:

The online Report Card provides information about each school, district and the state, including performance, growth, discipline, expenditures, teacher quality and more.

Report Card

When:

The annual School Report Card will be released to the public April 15, 2019.



Why:

The School Report Card is designed to empower data-informed communication between schools, parents and the local community.



Who:



Students/Children
Parents and Families
Educators
Advocates

School Board Members
Elected Officials
Community Members
Researchers



Where:

https://myschoolinfo.arkansas.gov/

MY SCHOOL INFO



How You Can Access the Report Card

Report cards are available to the public on My School Info: https://myschoolinfo.arkansas.gov/.

Once you have located your school/district, then click on

Report Card

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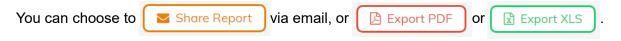
Read the letter

From the Commissioner and Definitions, if needed.

Use the links on the left to navigate to the modules of the report. New modules have been added.

- ★ The **Growth module** is a relatively new measurement of how much students grew compared with how much they were predicted to grow.
- ★ Achieving English Language Proficiency is now reported in its own module.
- ★ In the School Quality and Student Success module, you will find various indicators, such as reading at grade level, on-time credits, computer science course credits, etc.
- ★ The new **Long-Term Goals module** provides a checkpoint see if a school is on a path to meet the state's goals for college and career readiness by the year 2030.

Once in a module, you will see data reported for some new subgroups: for instance, students who are **homeless**, students in **foster care**, students who have parents on active **military duty**, and others.



For more information, look for School Report Card under



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Ways You Can Use Report Card Data

Parents/Students

- Review your school's Report Card.
- Become familiar with the data sets.
- Understand your school's strengths and opportunities for improvement.
- Use this information to engage with the school in the development of the school improvement plan.
- Ask for and attend regular parent meetings to discuss your school's plans.
- Attend events and volunteer for improvement efforts.
- Share the School Report Card with other stakeholders.
- Provide feedback on how the School Report Card can be improved.



Community

- Review local School Report Cards and become familiar with the data.
- Engage in discussions about local schools' strengths and opportunities for improvement.
- Partner with schools to host events that support school improvement efforts.
- Share the School Report Card with other stakeholders.
- Provide feedback on how the report card can be improved.

Educators

- Review your school's Report Card and become familiar with the school's strengths and opportunities for improvement.
- Use this data to engage with stakeholders in the development of the school improvement plan.
- Engage in professional learning communities to monitor, assess, and reflect on student progress.
- Utilize the School Report Card to share your school's story with others.
- Provide feedback on how the report card can be improved.



How You Can Provide Input to Improve the Report Card

During the summer of 2018, teams met with stakeholders across the state. The feedback obtained from 964 collective participants resulted in some of the School Report Card improvements you see today.

Guidelines have expanded, resulting in additional modules and subgroup data reported on the School Report Card. The Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) needs your input to continue improving the School Report Card.

Actions Taken So Far

- Increased ease of access to get to My School Info quickly.
 - Example: My School Info was added to the Topics A-Z on the ADE website.
 - Example: Added more noticeable links on the main webpage and in ADE Data Center.
- Provided brief definitions for unfamiliar terms.
 - o Example: Hover over definitions were added to the module titles.
- Responded to ESSA guidelines.
 - o Example: Expanded modules.
 - Example: Included more subgroups.

Next Steps for Input

ADE staff will be going out to get information on how to make the report card easier to understand. How can we better present the data to make it easier to understand?

- School Report Card Survey
 - https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8ZX3XFM
- School Report Card Focus Group Opportunities
 - http://bit.ly/ReportCardFocusGroups